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Title

Method and system for managing fees of contents, computer program and recording medium

Preliminary Class

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METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MANAGING FEES OF CONTENTS,
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CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

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This application is based upon and claims the benefit of
priorities from the prior Japanese Patent Applications No.
2000-266155 filed on September 1, 2000 and No. 2001-261736 filed
on August 30, 2001, the entire contents of both of which are
10 incorporated herein by reference.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1. Field of the Invention

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The present invention relates to a technique for distributing
contents which includes, for example, game programs, video signals,
image data, sound data, music data, character information or the
composition of them, especially to a technique for managing fees
arising from distributing or utilizing these contents.

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2. Description of the Related Art

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Along with the popularization of the internet, distributing
contents to numbers of people is becoming easier. Recently, pay
services of distributing contents are implemented actively.
However, in the case that pay contents is transacted through the
wide-area network like the internet to which general public people
can access, it is difficult to set charge fee properly, because
it is hard to figure out how much the pay contents is utilized.

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To solve such problems, the techniques for distributing
contents were conventionally proposed, which are described below.

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